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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Notification of Non-Compliant Amendment dated April 9, 2008,  
please consider the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the complete listing of claims which  
begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.